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MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS RESEARCH PROTOCOL CONTINUOUS CHEST COMPRESSIONS

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(CCC) FOR OUT-OF-HOSPITAL CARDIAC ARREST

Primary Objective	Eligibility	Exclusion Criteria
Greater coronary perfusion pressure (CPP) is	Non-traumatic cardiac arrest	EMS witnessed
associated with greater ROSC in animals and	-Unwitnessed	Initial treatment by non-ROC EMS
humans. Interruptions in chest compression reduce	-Bystander witnessed	agency
CPP with a consequent reduced chance for a		DNR order presented
successful outcome. Observational studies in		Obvious trauma (blunt, burns,
humans suggest a strategy of CCC is efficacious		penetrating, exsanguinations)
compared to standard CPR. A randomized trial of		Obvious primary asphyxia or
CCC versus standard CPR is needed to understand		respiratory cause of arrest
the role of pausing for ventilation during the		Known prisoner, pregnant or age
circulatory phase of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest.		less than 18 years

